

Receipt date: 09/15/2010

Doc code: IDS

Doc description: Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) Filed

10581634 - GAI: 3788

Approved for use through 07/31/2012. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

|   |                        |               |            |
|---|------------------------|---------------|------------|
| <b>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE<br/>STATEMENT BY APPLICANT</b><br>( Not for submission under 37 CFR 1.99) | Application Number     |               | 10581634   |
|   | Filing Date            |               | 2007-02-26 |
|   | First Named Inventor   | Okahisa       |            |
|   | Art Unit               | 3728          |            |
|   | Examiner Name          | K.A. Desai    |            |
|   | Attorney Docket Number | 1091-0002WOUS |            |

| U.S.PATENTS       |         |               |                        |            |   |  | Remove |
|-------------------|---------|---------------|------------------------|------------|---|--|--------|
| Examiner Initial* | Cite No | Patent Number | Kind Code <sup>1</sup> | Issue Date | Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document | Pages,Columns,Lines where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear |        |
|                   | 1       |               |                        |            |   |  |        |

If you wish to add additional U.S. Patent citation information please click the Add button.

Add

| U.S.PATENT APPLICATION PUBLICATIONS |         |                    |                        |                  |   |  | Remove |
|-------------------------------------|---------|--------------------|------------------------|------------------|---|--|--------|
| Examiner Initial*                   | Cite No | Publication Number | Kind Code <sup>1</sup> | Publication Date | Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document | Pages,Columns,Lines where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear |        |
|                                     | 1       |                    |                        |                  |   |  |        |

If you wish to add additional U.S. Published Application citation information please click the Add button.

Add

| FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS |         |                                      |                           |                        |                  |   |  | Remove                   |
|--------------------------|---------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------|---|--|--------------------------|
| Examiner Initial*        | Cite No | Foreign Document Number <sup>3</sup> | Country Code <sup>2</sup> | Kind Code <sup>4</sup> | Publication Date | Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document | Pages,Columns,Lines where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear | T <sup>5</sup>           |
|                          | 1       | 03-000668                            | JP                        |                        | 1004-04-24       | TERUMO CORP                                     |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
|                          | 2       | 10-005313                            | JP                        |                        | 1008-01-13       | MATERIAL ENG TECH LAB INC                       |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |

If you wish to add additional Foreign Patent Document citation information please click the Add button

Add

| NON-PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Remove |
|---------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--------|
|---------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--------|

|   |                        |               |            |                      |
|---|------------------------|---------------|------------|----------------------|
| <b>Receipt date: 09/15/2010</b><br><br><b>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE<br/>STATEMENT BY APPLICANT</b><br><b>( Not for submission under 37 CFR 1.99)</b> | Application Number     |               | 10581634   | 10581634 - GAU: 3788 |
|   | Filing Date            |               | 2007-02-26 |                      |
|   | First Named Inventor   | Okahisa       |            |                      |
|   | Art Unit               | 3728          |            |                      |
|   | Examiner Name          | K.A. Desai    |            |                      |
|   | Attorney Docket Number | 1091-0002WOUS |            |                      |

| Examiner Initials* | Cite No | Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc), date, pages(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published. | T <sup>5</sup>           |
|--------------------|---------|---|--------------------------|
|                    | 1       |   | <input type="checkbox"/> |

If you wish to add additional non-patent literature document citation information please click the Add button

#### EXAMINER SIGNATURE

|                    |                                   |                 |  |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|--|
| Examiner Signature | /Kaushikkumar Desai/ (10/23/2010) | Date Considered |  |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|--|

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through a citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

<sup>1</sup> See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at [www.USPTO.GOV](http://www.USPTO.GOV) or MPEP 901.04. <sup>2</sup> Enter office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). <sup>3</sup> For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. <sup>4</sup> Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. <sup>5</sup> Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language translation is attached.